

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A cleansing composition, comprising:

(1) at least one foaming surfactant, (2) at least 1 % by weight of at least one hydrophilic silica, relative to the total weight of the composition, and (3) at least one oxyethylenated ester, optionally comprising oxypropylenated groups, oxyalkylenated compound which is selected from the group consisting of oxyethylenated compounds and oxyethylenated/oxypropylenated compounds in a physiologically acceptable aqueous medium comprising at least 35 % by weight of water, relative to the total weight of the composition; ~~wherein said oxyalkylenated compound is a thickening agent present in a composition thickening effective amount and is selected from the group consisting of:~~

~~(a) polyethylene glycols having a number of ethylene oxide units greater than or equal to 800;~~

~~(b) polyethylene and/or polypropylene glycol esters having the formula:~~



~~wherein $0 < m \leq 300$ and $0 \leq n \leq 300$ and $m + n \geq 6$, R and R' represent,~~

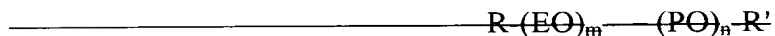
~~independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or~~

~~branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30~~

~~carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the proviso that R and R' are not simultaneously~~

~~hydrogen; and~~

~~(b) (c) polyethylene glycol ethers having the formula~~



~~wherein $0 < m \leq 300$ and $0 \leq n \leq 300$ and $m + n \geq 6$, R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the provisos that (i) R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen, and (ii) where either R or R' is hydrogen, the other comprises an alkyl chain comprising 12 to 22 carbon atoms, an aryl group, or mixtures thereof;~~

~~(d) alkoxyated polyol fatty acid esters;~~

~~(e) alkoxyated polyol fatty alcohol ethers;~~

~~(f) alkoxyated glyceryl triesters of fatty acids;~~

~~(g) ethoxyethylenated urethane derivatives modified with alkyl chains; and~~

~~(h) mixtures thereof.~~

Claim 2: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which has a complex modulus G^* ranging from 102 to 105 Pa and a loss angle ranging from 2°C to 45° C for frequencies ranging from 0.01 to 10 Hz.

Claim 3: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which comprises from 35 % to 95 % by weight of water relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 4: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of hydrophilic silica(s) ranges from 1% to 15% on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 5: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic silica is selected from the group consisting of silicas of pyrogenic origin, of precipitated origin, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic silica is selected from the group consisting of silicas having a specific surface ranging from 30 to 500 m²/g, a number-average particle size ranging from 3 to 50 nm and a compacted density ranging from 40 to 200 g/l.

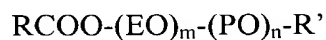
Claim 7: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic silica is a pyrogenic silica.

Claim 8: (Original): The composition according to Claim 7, wherein the hydrophilic silica consists of a particle coated with hydrophilic silica.

Claim 9: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of oxyalkylenated compound(s) ranges from 1 % to 20 % on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 10: (Canceled).

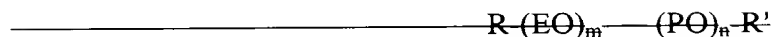
Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition comprises at least one oxyethylenated ester of the ~~oxyalkylenated compound(s)~~ ~~have the~~ formula:



wherein $0 < m \leq 300$ and $0 \leq n \leq 300$ and $m + n \geq 6$, R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the proviso that R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition comprises at least one oxyethylenated ester of a polyol and of a fatty acid ~~of the~~

~~oxyalkylenated compound(s) have the formula:~~



~~wherein $0 < m \leq 300$ and $0 \leq n \leq 300$ and $m + n \geq 6$, R and R' represent, independently of each other, hydrogen or a saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched, hydroxylated or non-hydroxylated alkyl chain containing from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an aryl chain, with the proviso that R and R' are not simultaneously hydrogen.~~

Claim 13: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the foaming surfactant is selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, anionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants and zwitterionic surfactants, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 14: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the amount of foaming surfactant(s) ranges from 2 % to 50 % on an active material weight basis relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 15: (Original): The composition according to Claim 11, wherein the foaming surfactant is selected from the group consisting of alkyl polyglucosides, maltose esters, polyglycerolated fatty alcohols, glucamine derivatives, carboxylates, amino acid derivatives, alkyl sulfates, alkyl ether sulfates, sulfonates, isethionates, taurates, sulfosuccinates, alkyl sulfoacetates, phosphates and alkyl phosphates, polypeptides, anionic alkyl polyglucoside derivatives, fatty acid soaps, betaines, N-alkylamidobetaines and derivatives thereof, glycine derivatives, sultaines, alkyl polyaminocarboxylates and alkylamphoacetates, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 16: (Original): The composition according to Claim 1, which further comprises at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of alcohols comprising from

1 to 6 carbon atoms, polyols and mixtures thereof.

Claim 17: (Original): A method of treating the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair thereby cleansing and/or removing make-up from the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair.

Claim 18: (Original): A method of treating greasy skin, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, thereby removing grease from the skin.

Claim 19: (Original): A method of disinfecting the skin and/or the scalp, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin and/or the scalp, thereby disinfecting the skin and/or the scalp.

Claim 20: (Original): A method of cleansing the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair, comprising:

applying the composition of Claim 1 to the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair in the presence of water thereby forming a lather; and

removing the lather containing soiling residues by rinsing the lather from the skin, the eyes, the scalp and/or the hair with water.

Claim 21: (Original): A cosmetic mask, comprising:

an applied composition of Claim 1 as a mask on the skin of the face.

Claim 22-23. (Canceled).

Claim 24. (New): A composition according to claim 1, wherein the oxyethylenated ester does not contain oxypropylenated groups.

Claim 25. (New): A composition according to claim 12, wherein the polyol is selected from the group consisting of glycerol, sorbitol, glucose and pentaerythritol.

Claim 26. (New): A composition according to claim 25, wherein the polyol is glycerol, soritol or glucose.